NOTICE OF APPEAL TO THE
BOARD OF PATENT APPEALS AND INTERFERENCES

IN RE APPLICATION OF: METHOD FOR ELECTRONICALLY INITIATING AND
                           MANAGING AGRICULTURAL PRODUCTION
                           CONTRACTS

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Group Art Unit: 2164
Examiner: Kyle, Charles R.
Attorney Docket No: P03566US0

Commissioner for Patents
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Sir:

Applicant hereby appeals to the Board of Patent Appeals and Interferences from the decision of
the examiner dated November 19, 2002 rejecting the following claims: 1-28.

Applicant is a small entity under 37 CFR 1.9 and 1.27. A statement of small entity status under
37 CFR 1.27 has already been filed in this application.

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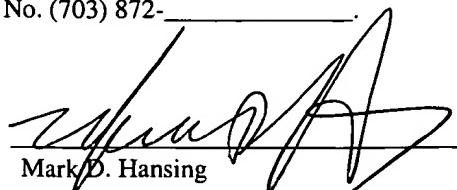   [X]   A check in the amount of $160.00 is enclosed.

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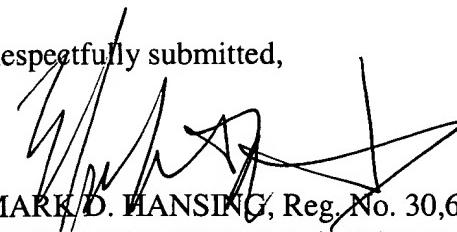| MAILING	FACSIMILE
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